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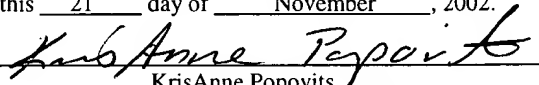
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title:	<b>RETROFITTABLE SEVERE DUTY SEAL FOR A SHAFT</b>	Group Art Unit: V. Patel

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Please amend the specification as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Immediately under the heading "Related Applications" and before the heading "Technical Field" please replace the text added by the Preliminary Amendment of May 14, 2001, with the following:

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This Application is a Continuation-In-Part of U.S. Patent No. 6,406,026, filed October 17, 2000, issued July 18, 2002, entitled "Retrofittable Severe Duty Seal For A Shaft" to Michael R. Oldenburg, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent No. 6,186,507, filed September 25, 1997, issued February 13, 2001, entitled "Retrofittable Severe Duty Seal For A Shaft", to Michael R. Oldenburg; and U.S. Patent No. 6,464,228, filed July, 18, 2000, issued October 15, 2002, entitled "Method for Using a Flangeless Retrofittable Severe Duty Seal For A Shaft" to Michael R. Oldenburg, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent No. 6,186,507, filed September 25, 1997, issued February 13, 2001, entitled "Retrofittable Severe Duty Seal For A Shaft", to Michael R. Oldenburg, all of the above which are herein incorporated by reference in their entirety.